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PROBABLE ARSENAL, WU-CHANG-HSIEN AREA, CHINA

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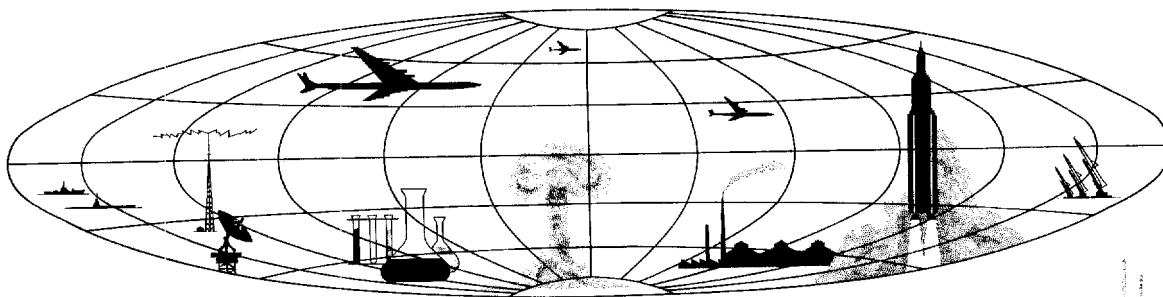


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This installation, one sq mile in area, is located in a small valley, 8.5 nm ENE of Wu-chang-hsien and 12.5 nm south of Wu-han. Connected by a rail spur to the Wu-han--Chang-sha railroad one nm east, the complex comprises 3 separate areas (Figure 1).

Area A, a housing area, contains 55 family apartment-type buildings, 6 large storage buildings (21,000 sq ft total roof area), one probable mess hall, and 8 small storage/support buildings.

Area B, the secured probable arsenal, contains an enclosed probable ballistics test facility with test range 320 x 35 ft, 15 monitor roof probable machine shop buildings (76,000 sq ft total roof space), one probable assembly building with a saw-tooth roof 110 x 80 ft, one large probable storage building estimated 240 x 90 ft [redacted] annotated "Site of New Building," Figure 1), 2 water reservoir ponds and one water tank, one probable foundry 100 x 45 ft, one possible mess hall,

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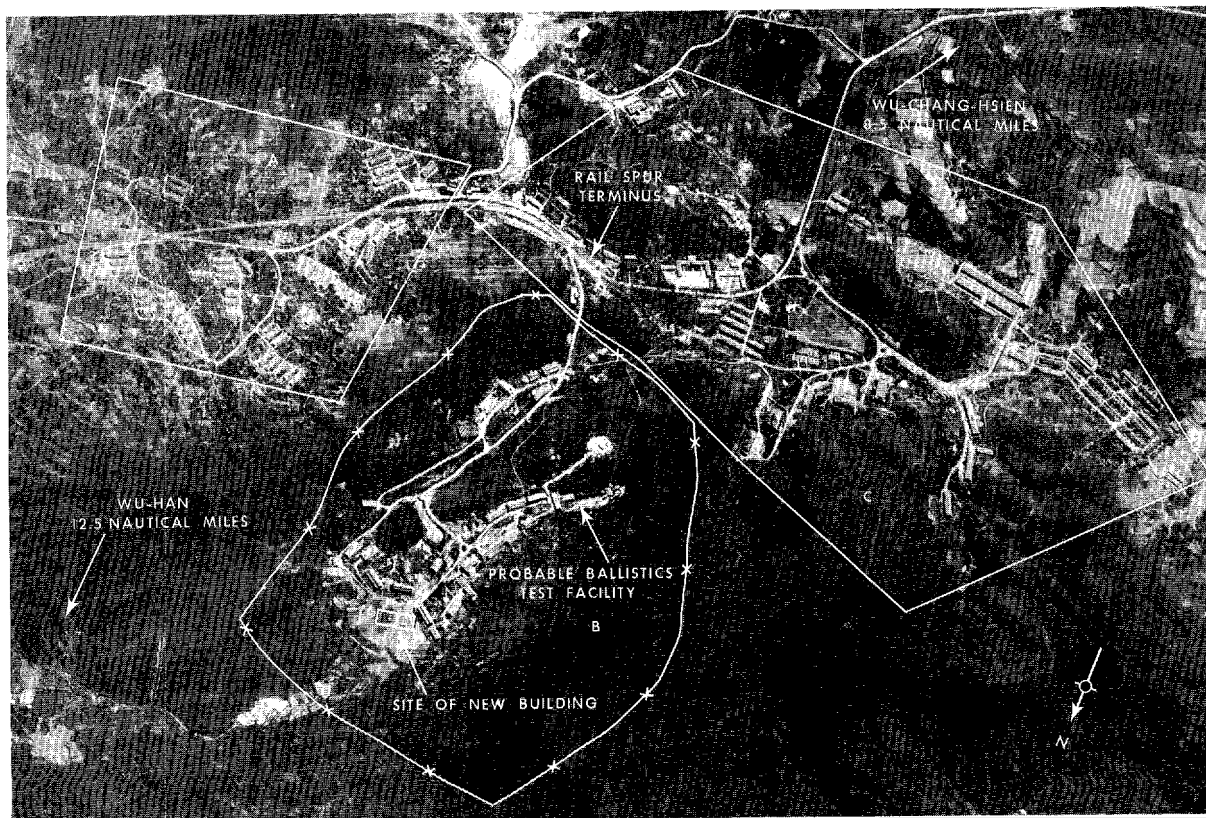


FIGURE 1. PROBABLE ARSENAL, WU-CHANG-HSIEN AREA, CHINA, [redacted]

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9 storage/support buildings (32,500 sq ft total roof area), a possible power substation, and 18 small storage/support buildings.

Area C, a storage and support area, contains 20 family apartment-type buildings, 3 barracks-type buildings 170 x 35 ft, 7 large storage buildings (70,000 sq ft estimated total roof area), 47 medium storage buildings ranging from 75 x 30 ft to 160 x 40 ft (estimated total roof area of 180,950 sq ft), one probable mess hall, one possible hospital, 2 open storage

areas with unidentified storage, one large U-shaped administration building, one large E-shaped administration building, 11 small administration buildings, one auditorium, approximately 50 miscellaneous storage/support buildings, 2 water tanks, and one motor pool with a large U-shaped maintenance building, and 6 unidentified vehicles.

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